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Dear Madam:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action mailed by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on August 18, 2008 and the Advisory Action mailed October 29, 2008, please enter the following amendments and consider the accompanying remarks. The response is accompanied by a Request for Continued Examination and a Petition for a three-month Extension of Time, to and including February 18, 2009, along with the requisite fee. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any deficiencies or credit any excess in this fee to Deposit Account No. 04-0100.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 9 of this paper.